

Joint Hearing
Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee
Senate Environmental Quality Committee
Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee No. 2
Assembly Natural Resources Committee
Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxics Committee
Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee
Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3

SENATORS KUEHL and LOWENTHAL
ASSEMBLYMEMBERS HANCOCK, RUSKIN, WOLK and PAVLEY, Chairs

March 2, 2005
9:00 am – Room 4202

Informational hearing: The State of California's Environment:
Obstacles and Opportunities

Committee Chairs

The Status of California's Environment

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., *President,*
Waterkeeper Alliance and
Senior Attorney, NRDC

The Federal Role: Rollback and Preemption

CALIFORNIA'S ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Tom Van Dyke, *Piper Jaffrey,*
Nancy Floyd, *Nth Power Inc.*

**The Importance of California's Environment to its
Economic Engine: A Private Sector Perspective**

CHALLENGES CONFRONTING CALIFORNIA

Dr. Peter Gleick, *Pacific Institute*

Water For Our Future

Gina Solomon,
Natural Resources Defense Council

**Environmental Health: Protecting California's
Communities**

Wendell Bruner, *Contra Costa County*

Public Oversight of Environmental Health

Bonnie Holmes-Gen,
American Lung Association

Air Quality Challenges in California

Richard Drury, *Board Member,
Communities for a Better Environment*

**Public and Private Mechanisms to Protect the
Environment**

Joe Lyou,
California Environmental Rights Alliance

Preserving and Protecting California's Rights

RE-ENVISIONING CALIFORNIA

Steve Sanders,
Sustainable Communities Working Group

Land Use Opportunities

Andy Lipkis, *Tree People*

Opportunities in Urban California

PUBLIC COMMENT

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Concluding Thoughts